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For:

TUBULAR COUPLING ELEMENT FOR PRODUCING

A GLUED JOINT WITH A FLUID LINE

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Attached is a copy of the transmittal form filed with the Preliminary Amendment, which indicates the fee for the additional independent claims and also shows payment by way of a check in the amount of \$168.00. Also attached is a copy of the returned postcard indicating that the Patent Office did indeed receive our payment.

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